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6 **IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
7 **FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA**

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9 First Service Networks Incorporated, No. CV11-1897 PHX DGC
10 Plaintiff,
11 v.
12 First Service Maintenance Group
13 Incorporated,
14 Defendant.

**ORDER SETTING RULE 16 CASE
MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE**

15 Pursuant to Rule 16 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, a Case Management
16 Conference is set for **September 25, 2012 at 2:30 p.m.** in Courtroom 603, Sandra Day
17 O'Connor U.S. Federal Courthouse, 401 W. Washington St., Phoenix, Arizona 85003-
18 2151. In preparation for this Case Management Conference, it is hereby Ordered as
19 follows:

20 A. Rule 26(f) Meeting and Case Management Report.

21 The parties are directed to meet and confer at least 10 days before the Case
22 Management Conference as required by Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(f). At this
23 meeting the parties shall consider the expedited trial alternative set forth in section B
24 below, and shall develop a joint Case Management Report which contains the
25 information called for in section C below.

26 B. Expedited Trial Alternative.

27 The parties may elect to take this case directly to trial – whether jury or bench trial
28 – without discovery and without motion practice. The intent of this expedited trial

1 alternative is to afford parties a ready trial forum in which cases can be resolved without
2 the time and expense normally required for discovery and motion practice.

3 1. An expedited trial will be held in this case if all parties agree to such a trial.

4 2. If the parties elect to proceed to an expedited trial:

5 a. No formal discovery or motion practice will occur.

6 b. The Joint Case Management Report required by section C below
7 need not include the information called for in sections C(8), (12), (14), and (15);

8 c. At the Case Management Conference scheduled above, the Court
9 will set a Final Pretrial Conference within two months. At the Final Pretrial Conference,
10 the Court will give the parties a firm trial date, usually within two or three months of the
11 Final Pretrial Conference. Thus, the expedited trial likely will occur within four or five
12 months of the Case Management Conference.

13 3. Counsel for each party is required to discuss this expedited trial alternative
14 with his or her client before the Rule 26(f) conference. As part of this discussion, counsel
15 must provide his or her client with two good faith estimates of the costs (including
16 attorneys' fees) of litigating this case to completion: (a) an estimate of the cost if an
17 expedited trial is elected, and (b) an estimate of the cost if an expedited trial is not elected
18 and typical discovery and motion practice occur. The intent of this requirement is to
19 ensure that clients clearly understand the potential cost savings of an expedited trial.

20 4. Each counsel must certify in the Joint Case Management Report that he or
21 she has held the client discussion required in the immediately preceding paragraph. Each
22 pro se litigant must certify that he or she has considered the expedited trial alternative.

23 5. If the parties identify other expedited procedures that might reduce the cost
24 of litigating this case to completion, such as limited discovery leading to an expedited
25 trial with no motion practice, they may propose such procedures in the Joint Case
26 Management Report.

27 C. Joint Case Management Report.

28 The parties' Joint Case Management Report shall contain the following

1 information in separately numbered paragraphs.

2 1. The parties who attended the Rule 26(f) meeting and assisted in developing
3 the Case Management Report;

4 2. A list of the parties in the case, including any parent corporations or entities
5 (for recusal purposes);

6 3. A short statement of the nature of the case (3 pages or less);

7 4. The jurisdictional basis for the case, describing the basis for jurisdiction
8 (see the accompanying footnote) and citing specific jurisdictional statutes;¹

9 5. Any parties which have not been served and an explanation of why they
10 have not been served, and any parties which have been served but have not answered or
11 otherwise appeared;

12 6. A statement of whether any party expects to add additional parties to the
13 case or otherwise to amend pleadings (the Court will set a deadline after the Case
14 Management Conference to join parties or amend pleadings);

15 7. Whether the parties elect the Expedited Trial described in section B above,
16 and a certification that all parties have complied with the requirements set forth in section
17 B.

18 8. A listing of contemplated motions and a statement of the issues to be
19 decided by these motions (including motions under Federal Rules of Evidence 702, 703,
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21 ¹ If jurisdiction is based on diversity of citizenship, the report shall include a statement of
22 the citizenship of every party and a description of the amount in dispute. See 28 U.S.C.
23 §1332. The parties are reminded that (1) a corporation is a citizen of the state where it is
24 incorporated and the state of its principal place of business, and (2) partnerships and
25 limited liability companies are citizens of every state in which one of their partners or
26 members resides. See 28 U.S.C. §1332(c); *Indus. Tectonics v. Aero Alloy*, 912 F.2d
27 1090, 1092 (9th Cir. 1990); *Belleville Catering Co. v. Champaign Market Place, L.L.C.*,
28 350 F.3d 691, 692 (7th Cir. 2003). The parties are further reminded that the use of
fictitious parties (“John Doe” or “ABC Corporation”) “casts no magical spell on a
complaint otherwise lacking in diversity jurisdiction.” *Fifty Assocs. v. Prudential Ins.*
Co. of Am., 446 F.2d 1187, 1191 (9th Cir. 1970) (citations omitted).

1 704, and 705);

2 9. Whether the case is suitable for reference to a United States Magistrate
3 Judge for a settlement conference or trial;

4 10. The status of related cases pending before other courts or other judges of
5 this Court;

6 11. A discussion of any issues relating to disclosure or discovery of
7 electronically stored information, including the parties' preservation of electronically
8 stored information and the form or forms in which it will be produced (*see*
9 Rules 16(b)(3), 26(f)(3));

10 12. A discussion of any issues relating to claims of privilege or work product
11 (*see* Rules 16(b)(3), 26(f)(3));

12 13. A discussion of whether an order under Federal Rule of Evidence 502(d) is
13 warranted in this case;

14 14. A discussion of necessary discovery, including:

15 a. The extent, nature, and location of discovery anticipated by the
16 parties;

17 b. Suggested changes, if any, to the discovery limitations imposed by
18 the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure;

19 c. The number of hours permitted for each deposition.

20 15. A statement of when the parties exchanged or will exchange Federal Rule
21 of Civil Procedure 26(a) initial disclosures;

22 16. Proposed specific dates for each of the following (deadlines should fall on a
23 Friday unless impracticable):

24 a. A deadline for the completion of fact discovery;²

25 b. Dates for full and complete expert disclosures under Federal Rule of

26 ² The discovery deadline is the date by which all discovery must be completed. Discovery
27 requests must be served and depositions noticed sufficiently in advance of this date to ensure
28 reasonable completion by this deadline, including time to resolve discovery disputes.

1 Civil Procedure 26(a)(2)(A)-(C);

2 c. A deadline for completion of all expert depositions;

3 d. A date by which the parties shall have engaged in face-to-face good
4 faith settlement talks;

5 e. A deadline for filing dispositive motions.

6 17. Whether a jury trial has been requested and whether the request for a jury
7 trial is contested (if the request is contested, briefly set forth the reasons);

8 18. The prospects for settlement, including any request of the Court for
9 assistance in settlement efforts; and

10 19. Any other matters that will aid the Court and parties in resolving this case
11 in a just, speedy, and inexpensive manner as required by Federal Rule of Civil Procedure
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13 The parties shall jointly file the Case Management Report with the Clerk not less
14 than seven days before the Case Management Conference. It is the responsibility of
15 Plaintiff(s) to initiate the Rule 26(f) meeting and preparation of the joint Case
16 Management Report. Defendant(s) shall promptly and cooperatively participate in the
17 Rule 26(f) meeting and assist in preparation of the Case Management Report.

18 D. Case Management Order.

19 The Court directs counsel and any unrepresented parties to Federal Rule of Civil
20 Procedure 16 for the objectives of the Case Management Conference. Counsel who will
21 be responsible for trial of the lawsuit for each party, and any party is not represented by
22 counsel, shall appear and participate in the Case Management Conference and shall have
23 authority to enter into stipulations regarding all matters that may be discussed.
24 A continuance of the Case Management Conference will be granted only for good cause.

25 During or after the Case Management Conference the Court will enter a Case
26 Management Order. The form of the Court's standard Case Management Order can be
27 found on the Court's website at www.azd.uscourts.gov under Judges and Courtrooms and
28 Orders, Forms and Procedures. The Court fully intends to enforce the deadlines in the

1 Case Management Order. The parties should plan their litigation activities accordingly.

2 E. Other Matters.

3 The parties are expected to comply fully with the Federal and Local Rules of Civil
4 Procedure and to minimize the expense of discovery if they do not elect an expedited
5 trial. The parties should ensure that all filings comply with Local Rules of Civil
6 Procedure 7.1 and 7.2. The Clerk of the Court shall send copies of this order to all
7 counsel of record and to any unrepresented parties.

8 Dated this 9th day of August, 2012.

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United States District Judge